



Mares Pond

FALMOUTH

28 Acres

Not To Be Used For Navigational Purposes

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General Information:

This 28-acre natural kettlehole pond has an average depth of 24 feet and a maximum depth of 57 feet. Transparency is excellent, extending to 20 feet, and aquatic vegetation is relatively scarce. The bottom is composed of rubble, gravel and sand. The shoreline is moderately developed with permanent homes.

The pond is located in the Teaticket section of Falmouth, north of Brick Kiln Road and east of Falmouth High School. To get there, take Route 28 south, then head north on Locustfield Road to Harriet Road. The town landing is to the left. Access is a steep trail suitable only for shore fishermen and waders, or very determined canoers. Restrictions: **Electric motors only**, enforced by the town.

This pond's fisheries management history dates back to at least the 1930s when it was first stocked with trout, bass and perch. It was partially reclaimed in 1954, and totally reclaimed for trout management in 1956. It was reclaimed again in 1958. The pond was stocked with adult small mouth bass brood stock in 1981.

Fish Populations:

No recent fisheries surveys have been conducted at this pond, but it is reported to have largemouth bass and small mouth bass in addition to stocked trout. It is also likely to support brown bullhead, pumpkinseed sunfish and American eel, among other species.

Fishing:

This pond is annually stocked in the spring with brook, brown and rainbow trout. Due to the large amount of coldwater habitat available, it regularly produces some nice holdover browns and rainbows. Wading and casting small spoons and spinners, sinking minnow imitations or weighted streamers is an effective technique for connecting with the trout here. As there is very little structure, one area is pretty much as good as another, although the "flats" at the south end of the pond are said to attract cruising brown trout, particularly during the hour around sunrise. During cold winters, this pond has been known to produce some good ice fishing for trout. We have no reports on the quality of the bass fishing.

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